



## **75<sup>TH</sup> RANGER REGIMENT**

### **BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH**

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## **CPL. TIMOTHY M. SHEA**

### **Killed in action on August 25, 2005**

### **Operation Iraqi Freedom**

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*Recognizing that I volunteered as a Ranger, fully knowing the hazards of my chosen profession, I will always endeavor to uphold the prestige, honor, and high “esprit de corps” of my Ranger Regiment... - FIRST STANZA OF THE RANGER CREED*

Cpl. Timothy M. Shea, 22, was an infantryman assigned to 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment at Fort Benning, Ga. He was killed in action on Aug. 25, 2005, while conducting combat operations in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom after an Improvised Explosive Device detonated near his vehicle.

A native of Sonoma, Calif., Shea was born Sept. 13, 1982. He enlisted in the Army Jan. 28, 2003. After completing One Station Unit Training, Airborne School and Ranger Indoctrination Program at Fort Benning, Ga., he was assigned to 3rd Bn. on Aug. 21, 2003.

Shea deployed in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom in July 2005. He was a five-time veteran of Operations Enduring and Iraqi Freedom, where he served as a rifleman, automatic rifleman, grenadier and machine gun team leader.



His awards and decorations include the National Defense Medal, the Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, the Army Service Ribbon, the Combat Infantryman Badge, the Basic Parachutist Badge and the Ranger Tab. He was posthumously promoted to the rank of corporal and awarded the Bronze Star Medal for valor, the Purple Heart, the Meritorious Service Medal and the Good Conduct Medal.

Shea is survived by his parents, William and Mary Shea, also of Sonoma, Calif., and a sister, Sara Shea Frank, of Seattle, Wash.

As a Ranger, Shea distinguished himself as a member of the Army’s premier light infantry unit, traveled to all corners of the world in support of the Global War on Terrorism and fought valiantly to “uphold the prestige, honor, and high ‘esprit de corps’” of the Ranger Regiment.

**- RANGERS LEAD THE WAY! -**